

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, delete the first two paragraphs (as amended on April 26, 2006) and substitute for it the following two replacement paragraphs:

This application is a national stage application filing of International Application No. PCT/US2005/037031, filed October 14, 2005, which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of the earlier filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/618,695, filed October 14, 2004, entitled "Vascular Catheter Device and Related Method of Making and Using the Same," the entire disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.

This application claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/794,729~~xxx,xxx~~, filed April 25, 2006, entitled "Vascular Catheter Device and Related Method of Making and Using the Same," (attorney docket no. 101-03) the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.